

Reply.—The road is under reconstruction and the estimate for one bridge has been sanctioned. The other bridge will be taken up when funds permit.

400. Improvement of the canals from Peringara to Changanachery and Alleppey.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan observed that both Alleppey and Changanachery were important commercial towns to which the people of Tiruvalla had very often to go but owing to the present neglected condition of the canals it was not possible to take boats or cargo freely. To remove this difficulty, the member suggested that the two canals might be deepened and the encroachments on them removed as early as possible.

Reply.—It is not desirable to spend more money on the improvement of these canals, but the removal of encroachments will be attended to.

401. Raising the Tiruvalla Vernacular Middle School into a High School.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan suggested that, considering the importance of the taluk and the popularity of the present Vernacular Middle School for boys at Tiruvalla, it would be desirable to raise its standard and make it a High School. He also observed that there was no Vernacular High School in the Central Range.

Reply.—The matter is under consideration.

402. Construction of bridges and culverts on the Tiruvalla-Kozhenchery road.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan represented that owing to the want of some bridges and culverts the road from Tiruvalla to Kozhenchery had become almost useless.

Reply.—This cannot be done as the cost is prohibitive.

403. Opening of a road from Kaviyur to Kallupara.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan represented that this was very necessary.

Reply.—Further information will be called for.

404. Provision of a Town Improvement Committee for Tiruvalla.

Mr. K. C. Eapen B. A. (Kshema Thalpara Samajam, Kadapra,

Tiruvalla) observed that Tiruvalla was a very important and populous taluk and hence it would be desirable to provide a Town Improvement Committee for the place.

Reply.—This is not deemed necessary at present.

405. Improvement of certain canals indispensable for purposes of irrigation.

Mr. K. C. Eapen, B. A. suggested the names of Colerayar and Mundanari canals as standing in urgent need of improvement.

Reply.—The general representation on the maintenance of irrigation tanks and canals has been already answered. *Vide* subject No. 130. The question of improving the canals now mentioned will be noted and taken up when funds permit.

406. Improvement of the Pulikizh-Mavelikara road and the extension of the Niranam church road to Veyapuram Depot.

Mr. K. C. Eapen, B. A., said that the question of the improvement of the road from Pulikizh to Mavelikara had been long pending and prayed that steps might soon be taken in this matter. He also requested that the Niranam church road might be extended as far as the Government depôt at Veyapuram.

Reply.—The lands required for the road from Pulikizh to Mavelikara are being pegged out by the Public Works Department and the necessary particulars for issuing a declaration to acquire them are under preparation. An estimate has also been called for. The extension of the Niranam church road to Veyapuram is not considered important.

407. Opening of a bi-weekly dispensary and an Anchal Office at Kadapra.

Mr. K. C. Eapen, B. A., requested that a bi-weekly dispensary might be opened at Kadapra and the present pillar-box replaced by a village anchal office.

Reply.—A dispensary for Kadapra is not deemed necessary as there is a hospital at Tiruvalla close by. There is already a pillar-box there and we must wait and see whether this is not sufficient.

KOTTAYAM DIVISION.

SHERTALLAY TALUK.

408. Transfer of civil jurisdiction of certain localities in the Kottayam Division.